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Prof wants \$2.2 million in race suit

Minority hired against committee's recommendation

By **MATTIAS KAREN**
Herald reporter

Western's hiring of psychology instructor Quentin Hollis last year could end up costing the university \$2.2 million.

Not because of poor job performance — his colleagues and students at the Community College both praise him.

It's because he is a black male. Part-time psychology professor Virginia Pfohl filed a lawsuit against Western in April claiming racial and sexual discrimination after the university acted against a search committee's recommendation and hired Hollis instead of her.

According to Pfohl, Hollis was

"We think Western chose the best candidate for the position."

— **Thomas Kerrick**

Western attorney

less qualified for the position and was given the job because he is black. Pfohl was the committee's top choice, while Hollis was the third choice.

Pfohl says in her claim that

Affirmative Action Coordinator Huda Melky told her "there was an underutilization of minority faculty at that Community College and that the Dean needed a minority."

Attorney Thomas Kerrick, who is representing Western, said that wasn't the case.

"We think Western chose the best candidate for this position," Kerrick said, "and I think his performance has proven this."

Pfohl said she could not com-

ment on the case. Her attorney, Steven Downey, said he couldn't go into any specifics regarding the case, but that "the facts speak for themselves."

The facts are that a search committee did recommend Pfohl for the decision but it was overridden by Paul Rice, then dean of the community college.

At the time, Pfohl had taught at Western for 18 years, as a

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Cara VanLeuven/Herald

David Baskett, a graduate student from Elizabethtown, was pied after raising \$44 for the Rape Crisis Center. Baskett, the director of Bates-Runner Hall, and other Resident Assistants helped raise \$120 through the help of student donations.

Expensive furniture apparently missing

Four desks worth more than \$3,000 not in office

By **JIM GAINES**
Herald reporter

As many at Western reacted with astonishment to the news that Huda Melky spent \$18,619 from tuition and taxes on furniture for her two-room office, another question emerged: where is all of it?

A visit to Melky's office showed that four desks — bought for more than \$3,000 — are not there.

Neither Melky, head of the Equal Opportunity/ADA Compliance Office, nor her superior, General Counsel Deborah Wilkins, could be reached for comment by telephone, email or office visit.

Only two of the six desks Melky bought over the last 15 months are in her office, used by her and her assistant, James McCaslin. Her student office assistant works at a storage cre-

Wilkins' administrative assistant Torie Cockrell said Wilkins had none of the desks, and she did not know if they were in other Legal Services offices.

Internal Auditor Warren Irons said Legal Services staff have been told to pass any questions from the Herald on to Wilkins.

The desks are not with Melky's old furniture in Legal Services furniture storage, Inventory Control Manager



Huda Melky

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Football downs Southeast Missouri 21-10 in ugly fashion



Strong defensive play gave Western its third win of the season against winless Southeast Missouri Saturday. Senior Melvin Wisham's 10 tackles and freshman safety Bobby Sippio's two interceptions led the way for the Hilltoppers. Western will face a tougher challenge this Saturday, taking on rival Murray State at home. **Page 11**

NEW TODAY

Nation & World

The Herald is debuting a new Nation and World news page today. With stories from the Los Angeles Times/Washington Post News Service, you can count on a concise account of all the day's important news — from California to Kosovo. **Page 6**

Tuition on rise again

Hike of \$135 coming over next two years

By **MATTIAS KAREN**
Herald reporter

Western students will be paying about 13 percent more in tuition over the next two years, the Board of Regents decided Friday, but current students may not see extra benefits from the extra cash.

Tuition will rise by 6.4 percent next year, from \$1,010 per semester to \$1,075 for in-state students and by another 6.5 percent for the 2001-2002 year, to \$1,145 — a total of \$135 over two years. Out-of-state tuition will increase by \$405 over that period, going from \$3,030 to \$3,435 next year, and \$3,435 in 2001-2002.

In-state graduate tuition will increase to \$1,175 in 2000-2001, and to \$1,245 the next year. Out-of-state graduate tuition will be frozen, however, at \$3,330 per semester.

Friday was the first time the Board of Regents set Western's tuition, which has previously been done by the Council of Postsecondary Education.

"This is the right decision for Western," Board Chairman Cornelius Martin said after the meeting, and President Gary Ransdell echoed him.

"The value of a Western degree is increasing," Ransdell said, "and we will do everything we can to see that the value of a Western degree keeps increasing."

But the increased amount of dollars brought in by the university may not result in increased benefits for current students. Chief Financial Officer Ann Mead said Western might receive less state funding over the next two years than was first expected, because of a struggling state budget. That means most of extra tuition money will go toward balancing the budget, Ransdell said.

"If we have a lean (state funding) year, we're breaking even at best," Ransdell said, and added he had a "genuine concern" that the increase might actually be too low.

Regents Earl Fisher and Kristen Bale both suggested setting a higher increase, voicing

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Weather forecast

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
69° 66°	69° 64°	62° 46°	74° 35°	77° 49°
Scattered storms	Showers	Partly cloudy	Sunny	Sunny

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 S: 78°/53° cloudy

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 T: 69°/60° storms
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 R: 64°/49° sunny
 S: 78°/53° cloudy

• Lexington
 T: 70°/60° showers
 W: 71°/60° rain
 R: 62°/49° cloudy
 S: 75°/51° cloudy

• Owensboro
 T: 70°/60° storms
 W: 71°/60° showers
 R: 62°/49° sunny
 S: 78°/53° cloudy

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 T: 72°/60° showers
 W: 71°/60° showers
 R: 62°/49° sunny
 S: 78°/53° cloudy

Weather information provided by StormCenter 12, where you can get an updated forecast at 6 tonight

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H. Rick Mach/Herald

Steppin' up: Louisville senior Paul White and other members of Omega Psi Phi fraternity rehearse last Thursday night for the upcoming Homecoming Step Show in Grise Hall. Three fraternities and three sororities will be participating in the event. The show, sponsored by the National Pan-Hellenic Conference, is scheduled for 8 p.m., Oct. 23, in Diddle Arena. Tickets for the show will be available a week before Homecoming.

Local News

Police seeking yandals

Campus police and Crime Stoppers are asking for help in finding out who knocked over and damaged one of the Four Seasons statues behind Snell Hall.

The crime happened on the night of Sept. 17, and university officials call them irreplaceable.

The sculpture was donated to the university by Perry Snell in 1927. It first appeared publicly at an international exposition in Turin, Italy in 1911.

If you have any information about this or any other crime, call Crime Stoppers at 781-CLUE. You could receive up to a \$1,000 reward. Crime Stoppers only wants your information, not your name. Your call will not be recorded or traced.

— Brian Moore

Burn ban continues

Warren County's open burning ban is still in effect despite Monday rain. Anyone charged with open burning can face fines and criminal charges.

To report open burning during the ban, contact the Warren County Fire Department or other law enforcement officials. For an emergency fire, dial 911.

— Jason Ragan

Professor rewarded

A Western Professor has been awarded for his work as a gunsmith.

Industrial Technology Professor Terry Leeper was awarded the Educational Award from the Contemporary Long Rifle Association. The association promotes the creation and collection of muzzle-loading firearms and related objects.

— Jason Ragan

Clearing the Air

◆ A story in Thursday's Herald misrepresented the results of a Student Government Association poll. The poll asked students what they wanted done with the \$16 balance of the Student Health Services fee that was reduced from \$31 to \$15 when the service was privatized.

◆ A story in Thursday's Herald listed two dollar amounts for the cost of furniture purchased by Huda Melky, director of the Equal Opportunity/ADA Compliance office. The correct cost is \$18,619.

◆ The name of Chicago senior Chris Schultz was misspelled in Thursday's Herald.

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Upgraded TOPCAT system brings library home

Classes offered to teach new program

By CAROLINE LYNCH
Herald reporter

Students can now avoid the embarrassment of having to inquire about their bill for that library book that never made it back last semester.

Now they can look it up on their personal computer. Three weeks ago Western ditched the archaic TOPCAT system and replaced it with an "upgrade" that is in a league of its own.

The new system, TOPCAT

2000, is available on the Internet, so anyone with a PC and an Internet connection can use it.

It offers such perks as being able to call up personal data, find books in Western's library and others, leaf through the content pages of some selections, and hyperlink to books and info.

"It's second nature to point and click," said Elaine Moore, library electronic information coordinator. "We have a reservoir of people who are familiar with the web."

Tompkinsville sophomore Kenneth Jones agreed that a web-based system was easier as he browsed TOPCAT 2000 for

the first time yesterday.

"The majority of people browse the web," he said. "It's just something you're used to."

Jones said that even after he took Library and Media Education, the old TOPCAT

If you go

What: Learning TOPCAT 2000
When: 3 p.m., tomorrow
Where: Helm Library, Room 108

was sometimes frustrating. But he said his first try with this system was easy.

Moore called the system flexible and powerful and said no matter what level of famil-

arity a student has with the Internet, it is easy to use.

When the system first came out she sent an e-mail to faculty and staff telling them about it, and several people returned her message with positive responses.

"When I received the e-mail, I decided to go directly in and use it," said Eugenia Scott, the liberal arts and sciences division chair at the Community College. "I liked the way it was set up. It seemed to have a lot more information, and I found it user-friendly."

The system cost roughly \$240,000, but instead of drawing more tuition out of student pockets to pay for it — the state

is footing the bill.

Eight universities in the state are getting the program through Kentucky Commonwealth Virtual Library, and Western is one of the first, even before the University of Kentucky.

By spring 2000, students will be able to reserve books on the Internet and eventually a self-checkout system will be available.

Students can reach TOPCAT 2000 by going to Western's home page at www.wku.edu and then clicking on Libraries and TOPCAT 2000.

The next seminar for those who want to learn about the new system will be held at 3 p.m. tomorrow in Helm 108.

Admissions standards, enrollment to rise

By JIM GAINES
Herald reporter

Admissions standards are going up, even as Western tries to recruit and retain more students. This sounds contradictory, but Western's own common college may help solve this conundrum.

Students coming to the Hill in fall 2000 must score 20 on the ACT test or have a 2.5 high school grade point average in pre-college classes, said Sharon Dyrson, admissions and academic services director.

This is the final installment in the five-year "Moving to a New Level" plan passed by former president Thomas Meredith in 1995. Then the standard was a 17 ACT or 2.2 GPA.

Not many unqualified students apply now, since high schools are preparing them better, Dyrson said.

Most state schools have standards similar to Western's or a little below, she said. The University of Louisville is also raising its standards over the next three years.

Western has also promised the state Council on Postsecondary Education that it will attract and retain 500 more students in the next three years, said Luther Hughes, enrollment management associate vice president.

There are already 500 more than in 1997, bringing the total to about 14,500. Western administrators hope to attract 16,000 students to the Hill in 2004, which is about all the university can handle with current facilities.

Within that number, the enrollment office's goals include increasing minority, out-of-state and international enrollment by 10 percent, raising the average ACT score from 21.5 to 21.7, and getting more freshmen to attend Orientation, Advisement and Registration sessions, Hughes said.

To meet these goals, Western will start recruiting prospective students as early as junior high.

"I think the students are more

impressional at a younger age," he said. "I think a student will be more excited to get a letter from WKU when they're in eighth grade."

The Board of Regents also approved expanding and renaming Western's long-standing incentive grant program, which gave in-state tuition rates to students in certain Tennessee counties around Nashville and Indiana counties around Evansville, Hughes said.

The new Tuition Incentive Program now covers 16 Tennessee counties, which include the cities of Clarksville, Murfreesboro and Memphis, and 11 Indiana counties, including the cities of Jeffersonville and New Albany.

Students in these counties will pay in-state tuition of \$1,075 plus \$300 per semester, a drop from the new out-of-state rate of \$3,225.

New enrollment efforts will not

necessarily concentrate on top achievers, Hughes said, but rather those with above average ACT scores.

"We're really wanting to go after those masses of students in that 24 to 28 category," he said. "They're significantly above average, but they might not be the cream of the crop."

"It's probably easier to get 100 students with a 24 to 28 ACT than five with a 33 to 34."

To aid retention, new Academic Advising Director Cheryl Chambliss will coordinate a university-wide tutoring program, Hughes said.

He said one of Western's biggest retention tools is OAR — freshmen who go through the program get familiar with college and stay at a higher rate.

By fall OAR sessions, course selection is already poor, and if Western is to attract and hold 16,000 students it will have to hire more instructors for general education classes over the next three years.

But Hughes knew of no immediate plans to do so.

At the enrollment management office's request, many depart-

ments have opened new general education classes late in the summer, Hughes said.

But even if 16,000 students can fit in Western's current classrooms, there aren't enough teachers to join them.

Key to raising standards while keeping every student possible is the community college. The community college has an open admissions policy, so unqualified applicants to Western are sent there. After they've completed 12 credit hours with a 2.0 GPA, students can enroll in a four-year program at Western, Dyrson said.

The community college recommends students stay for two semesters, or 24 credit hours, and if applicants haven't met pre-college curriculum standards they must make those up before moving on to Western.

Community college enrollment counts toward Western's goals, Dyrson said. "As long as Western has the community college, raising standards won't hurt recruitment," she said.

But the community college is dealing now with the same problem that Western may face in a few years — it's running out of room.

"We had all of our rooms scheduled, and nearly all of the chairs in each classroom were filled," said Frank Conley, interim dean of the community college.

Conley is working on plans for next fall to open up at least two new classrooms with minor renovations, which during the course of the day could hold about 480 more students.

He's also preparing a proposal to Provost Barbara Burch for more part-time general education instructors.

Burch is now interviewing candidates for a permanent community college dean. The new dean, who Conley said will probably be chosen by Jan. 1, will have to deal with a big expansion in both facilities and faculty.

"We're thankful that we have that problem," Conley said. "It's a good problem to have."

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Opinion

Furniture spree costs students more than \$18K

Two rooms. \$18,619. The ridiculous amount of money spent by Equal Opportunity/ADA Compliance Officer Huda Melky to furnish her two-room office is a prime example of administrators acting within the limits of the law ... and getting away with murder.

This campus was just handed a 13 percent increase in tuition over the next two years, but there's money to burn for tasteful furniture?

While some professors have duct tape and prayers holding their desks together, Melky spent \$1,400 to outfit her secretary. This money could have spent helping handicapped students, but instead it went toward fancy chairs and credenzas.

And what's a credenza anyway?

Just because Melky was within her rights as a department head to spend 10 percent of her total operating budget on interior decorating doesn't mean she was doing the right thing.

How are students supposed to stomach this? If Melky had to use her office to entertain potential donors or do public relations work, it would make sense for her to have the swankiest office on campus. But her funding is guaranteed; it's provided through tax money and tuition.

There was better use for this money. Renovations could have been added to make the Hill more accessible to the handicapped. Vehicles or new staff could have been added to help shuttle disabled students to classes. Repairs could have been made to the decaying wheelchair-accessible doors and ramps on campus.

We hope Melky never has the nerve to sit in her plush office and tell a student in need that they cannot be helped because of lack of funding.

President Gary Ransdell, surely you see the excess involved here.

There needs to be a more stringent system to keep pretentious purchasing like this from happening. Perhaps consequences should be involved when administrators so blatantly disregard the interests of the students in favor of their own gratification.

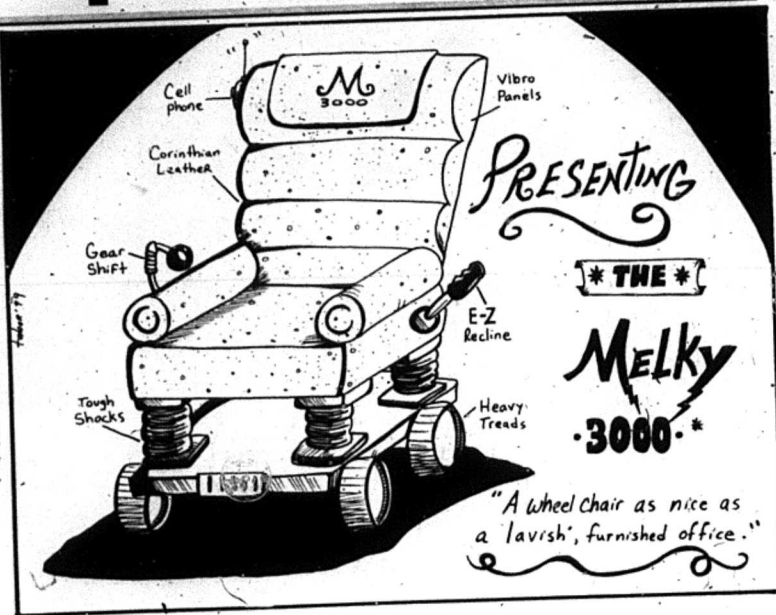
At the very least, Melky should have to return the furniture — or distribute it among faculty who haven't seen new furnishings since avocado appliances were in style.

The Issue:

EO/ADA

Compliance Officer Huda Melky spent \$18,619 refurbishing her office. That money should have been used to help students.

Our view: Melky should return the furniture.



Letters to the Editor

Melky misspent funds

As a student worker on campus, I am all in favor of having an attractive office to work in.

But Equal Opportunity/ADA Compliance Officer Huda Melky spending nearly \$19,000 on her office is obscene. That's my money going to make her office look good.

That money could go toward improving classrooms, purchasing new computers, upgrading dorms, etc. I am appalled that Western allows such an irresponsible spender to hold any kind of office here. Maybe if she'd use decent priced furniture, tuition rates wouldn't be going up.

Joshua Finn
Franklin sophomore

Circus brings animal cruelty to town

The circus is coming to town and we are appalled! Both the local television station and newspaper have brought recognition and support to this inhumane event. Before people rush out to buy tickets, they might want to think about what happens to animals behind the scenes.

Current animal welfare laws set only the most minimal standards — such as requiring that animals have enough room to stand up and turn around when confined — but even these basic regulations can be ignored.

For example, USDA inspection reports of Clyde Beatty Cole Bros Circus, the very same circus appearing in Bowling Green, are filled with numerous violations, including failing to allow access or inspection of records pertaining to the health of the elephants. Clyde Beatty Cole Bros Circus was cited by the USDA eight times from March of 1997 before formal charges were finally filed in April 1999. For example, in an article that appeared in The Tennessean, this circus admitted to puncturing an elephant's skin.

Animals do not naturally ride bicycles, stand on their heads, or jump through rings of fire! The colorful pageantry of a circus disguises the fact that animals are "persuaded" to perform by methods such as food deprivation, intimidation, muzzling, drugs, punishment and reward, shackling, whips, electronic goads and sticks. Why do you think that since 1990 more than 11 people have been killed by captive elephant attacks?

It's time for all of us to stop patronizing animal circuses and to demand that animals be sent to sanctuaries where they can live out their lives in dignity. Wake up, Bowling Green! Do not allow this cruelty to continue!

Jenny Porter, Bowling Green Senior
Kara Porter, Bowling Green graduate student

Editorial casts housing in bad light

I would like to clear the air regarding several falsified statements made in the "University tattling on students" editorial in last Tuesday's edition of the Herald. In no way were the forms forced upon residents or hidden from them "in the Housing and Residence Life agreement, between agreeing not to bring animals into the dorm and stating that they understood the visitation policy." We merely made the forms available to parents, as we were instructed.

The contents of the form were explained to each resident and his parents, and they were informed that the document was entirely optional in every case.

I am personally offended by these statements because they put our staff and community in a bad light.

Ed VanEtten
Louisville sophomore
Resident assistant,
West Hall

Editor's Note: In the article "Western will tattle on some drinkers," Resident Assistants were quoted saying they assumed everyone had to sign the forms and acted accordingly.

What should be done with the old health services fee?



"It should fix a problem that affects us all, like parking."

Elizabeth Nyaga
freshman from Nairobi, Kenya



"Air conditioning for all of the dorms."

Jessal Roberts
Marion freshman



"More maintenance staff — the elevators are always screwed up."

Chris Jones
Bowling Green



"Give it to the SGA, so they can bring big-name bands to campus."

Lara Herschfield
Bowling Green senior

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TUITION: Incentive Student regent deserves credit grants extended

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the same concerns: Ransdell said he had felt the same way earlier in the week, but had changed his mind.

"I guess it just comes down to the conservative nature on my part, not to have the highest increase in the state on any year," Ransdell said.

Student Regent Amanda Coates was the only regent to vote against the increase.

"There is nothing outlined in this at all specifically (benefiting) students that are here now," Coates said. "There were so many 'ifs' and 'maybes,' but no guarantees, so I just couldn't vote for it."

"I do think the university is paying more to go to Western. Regents also approved a proposal to expand the number of counties in Tennessee and Indiana where out-of-state tuition does not apply. The proposal, called the Tuition Incentive Program, lets students in 16 counties in northern Tennessee and 11 counties in southern Indiana pay in-state tuition plus \$300. Formerly, six Tennessee counties and five Indiana counties paid in-state tuition plus \$400.

Luther Hughes, associate vice president of enrollment management, said extending the program will attract more students in those areas, especially from Indiana counties north of Louisville.

Tuition for the Community College will also be frozen over the next two years, at \$1,010 per semester.

Mead said freezing tuition for the community college and for out-of-state graduate students will bring those figures to a more competitive level.

By fall 2001, Western's tuition will nearly have doubled since 1990, when in-state tuition was \$590 per semester. The average two-year increase since then has been 13.4 percent, slightly less than Friday's decision. The average two-year increase since 1995, however, has been 10.2 percent.

Eastern Kentucky University is proposing a slightly higher increase over the next two years, raising tuition by 7.5 percent each year. Eastern's Board of Regents has yet to vote on the proposal, but if passed, it would set in-state tuition at \$1,167 per semester by fall 2001, \$22 higher than Western.

University of Kentucky has approved a 5 percent increase for both years, while University of Louisville will have a 6.4 percent increase next year and 6 percent in 2001-2002.

The Board of Regents passed a 13 percent tuition increase over the next two years, with practically no input from students, and an almost unanimous vote.

The good news is that the one dissenting vote was cast by student regent Amanda Coates. The tuition increase was inevitable, but the student regent actually voted with the students in mind — which hasn't always been the case.

The Student Government Association president was once considered little more than a way for the administration to rubber-stamp students' approval. Past student regents have helped dispel that perception a bit. Let's hope Coates keeps up the good work.

Elders should draw crowd

Joycelyn Elders is coming to campus tomorrow night, just a few days after "Stone Cold" Steve Austin came to Bowling Green. She should draw a big audience, and it should be interesting to see which of the two attractions draws a more lowbrow crowd.

No offense, wrestling fans. Come on. How many people will really go to hear the former Surgeon General talk about



News & notes
Fred Lucas

women, health care and politics? And how many will go hoping to hear something they can make junior-high-type wisecracks about the next day?

I'm not sure which is more lowbrow, but I'm quite certain people will at least feel more intellectual about listening to Elders than rooting for Stone Cold.

Competing parties

Is this some sort of trend? There is another ridiculous call for elected officials to resign from office, this time at the state level.

Upset he'll have to give up his job as Senate president, Larry Saunders is calling on Dan Seum

of Louisville and Bob Leeper of Paducah to resign their Senate seats. Seum and Leeper switched parties and gave Republicans control of the state senate. Now the senior Republican in the chamber, David Williams, is in line to become Senate president.

Saunders, whose 1997 coup gave Republicans partial control of the Senate, said the two defectors should give up their seats and run again in a special election. Not surprisingly Gov. Paul Patton and daughter Nicki Patton, the Democratic state chairwoman, jumped behind the idea.

The two senators have right fully declined the request. They were elected as individuals, not as party members. If the voters in their district don't like it, they can give them the boot when they're up for reelection. Saunders wants to save his job. The Pattons seem to consider the state government a one-party oil gusher, but it's not — at least not anymore. A two-party system isn't something that has been in place in Frankfort since 1972; maybe it's time to give it a chance.

A Decade of Increases

Here's a look at undergraduate, in-state tuition increases over the last 10 years. Next year's increase has already been approved.

1990-91	\$590
1991-92	\$650
1992-93	\$670
1993-94	\$750
1994-95	\$790
1995-96	\$840
1996-97	\$870
1997-98	\$900
1998-99	\$960
1999-00	\$1,010
2000-01	\$1,075

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Nation & World

Affirmative action under fire

By JAY MATHEWS AND
KENNETH J. COOPER
The Washington Post

Members of the University of Virginia's governing board say the school needs to stop using race as a factor in student admissions, a warning that has drawn criticism from some U-Va. faculty and educators at other colleges.

The Board of Visitors has reached a consensus that the school's affirmative-action program must be changed in light of recent federal court rulings, said Terence Ross, a board member who heads a special committee that has been studying the U-Va policy since January.

"The problem is we have used what some people describe as racial preferences," said Ross, a lawyer.

Although the board has not voted on the issue, the trustees have told the admissions office that the school's policy probably could not survive a legal challenge. The trustees also have urged university officials to take steps to attract more low-income applicants of all races.

Ross said Sunday that Friday's 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling against race-based admissions at the Arlington Traditional School fortifies the U-Va. board's view and will fuel other Virginia colleges to follow suit. "It says we cannot have racial preferences," he said. "But it also says that legal forms of affirmative action still exist."

U-Va. administrators acknowledged hearing the board's concerns but stopped short of saying that the school no longer will consider an applicant's race. "Race has been a factor (in admissions) here. With the precedents

we've been seeing in these recent court cases, we're being urged to find other ways to do it," said Dean of Admissions John A. Blackburn, who referred other questions to U-Va. President John Casteen.

Casteen did not respond to a reporter's request for an interview.

State universities in California, Texas and Washington have barred affirmative action on behalf of ethnic minorities, but most U.S. colleges continue to admit minority applicants instead of similarly qualified whites in some circumstances.

Julian Bond, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and a U-Va. history professor, said shifting the focus of the university's affirmative action program from race to income is wrong.

"Blacks do not face disadvantage solely because they are poor, although many are," he said. "Rather, blacks of all income levels share disadvantage because we are black and living in a society that gives privileges and favored positions to whites."

Rafael Figueroa, associate dean of admission at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., said schools that remove race from their admissions process without having been sued "are giving up the prize without a fight."

He said he believes Wesleyan will continue to consider race in admissions "not only for the opportunity we can provide to students who might otherwise not have access to an education of the caliber we can provide, but also because the educational experience of all students is made richer, more relevant to today's world and more valuable" when a cam-

pus is ethnically diverse.

But Ross said U-Va.'s lawyers have told the Board of Visitors that "certain types of affirmative action cannot be used in an educational context without there being a past history of racial discrimination" at the school.

Ross said his committee suggested several actions to ensure that the university continues to enroll a diverse student body, and he said some of those steps already are being taken.

The admissions office is seeking two new staff members to reach more minority students and urge them to apply to U-Va. And Ross and Board Chairman John Ackerly III said the university may add a question to its application form asking students whether they have overcome obstacles in their lives.

The university also is considering a \$1 million appropriation for a summer institute on campus that would be open to 200 students each year from high schools in low-income Virginia neighborhoods, although Ross said that idea is not connected to the admissions changes.

Advocates of the current admissions system say the board's concerns are premature. "The threat of a lawsuit is not a lawsuit, and one does not need a public policy based upon threats," said Maurice Cox, an assistant professor of architecture at U-Va.

Some professors say they fear that desirable minority applicants will shun U-Va. and that many able minority students will be turned away if the school changes its policy. The executive council of the Faculty Senate issued a statement Sunday calling the consideration of race in student admissions "both appropriate and justified."



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Nation

Lawmakers consider attaching tax relief to wage hike

WASHINGTON — With the Republicans' \$792 billion tax bill officially dead, lawmakers and lobbyists for business interests are looking to a bill boosting the minimum wage as their best vehicle for achieving significant tax relief this year.

Republicans had previously promised to provide help to small businesses most affected by a wage boost, following the same approach they adopted in 1996 when they raised the minimum wage from \$4.25 to \$5.15 an hour. Now lawmakers are considering broader measures, including a pension reform and eliminating the estate tax, which could transform a relatively modest bill into a much more ambitious package.

"Instead of having a spoonful of sugar to help the medicine down, some of our members would like a wheelbarrow of sugar," said Trent Duffy, spokesman for House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. "That's why some of our members are talking boldly about attaching major tax relief to the minimum wage increase."

Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., a leader in the effort to raise the minimum wage by more than \$1 over four years, said "everyone's throwing everything but the kitchen sink" into the mix of proposals under consideration.

GOP leaders are unhappy about the prospect of a minimum wage increase, but with momentum against them, they hope for a compromise that would dispose of the issue before the election year. Democrats are eager for a vote, having identified the minimum wage as one of their top legislative priorities.

— The Washington Post

World

Chechen refugees flee as Russians continue bombing

MOSCOW — Tens of thousands of refugees clogged the road from Chechnya to the neighboring Russian region of Ingushetia Monday, as Russian warplanes continued their strikes against Chechen industrial and military targets.

Moscow's strategy in its budding war with Chechnya was starting to become clear — mass troops at the border, bombs from the air, and wait for the "bandits" to give up. The Russians say they are only attacking legitimate targets, such as oil refineries, communications facilities and weapons depots. The Chechen government says 300 civilians, mostly women and children, have been killed in the raids.

And between 50,000 and 100,000 people, not so trusting in Russian intentions, have fled for their lives.

The government of Ingushetia, a constituent part of the Russian federation, Monday appealed directly to the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees for assistance in dealing with the flow of people, the Itar Tass agency reports. Zakre Sultygov, Ingush vice premier, said authorities there were incapable of providing shelter, food and clothing for so many.

President Boris N. Yeltsin ordered Russian border guards to seal off entry into Chechnya, and to prevent separatist guerrillas from getting out. If carried through, this will force thousands of refugees back into the breakaway republic, victims of a war in which the Russians talk about going after bandit formations but increasingly seem to have all of Chechnya in their sights.

— The Baltimore Sun

Indonesian military leaves E. Timor

By DOUG STRUCK
The Washington Post

DILI, East Timor — The commander of the Indonesian military in East Timor departed Monday, leaving security in the hands of a U.N.-authorized peacekeeping force that controls only a small part of the province.

Maj. Gen. Kiki Syahnakri left behind a token force of 1,500 Indonesian soldiers who will guard army facilities until East Timor's Aug. 30 vote for independence is ratified by the Indonesian parliament, which meets in November.

The commander of the peacekeeping force, Australian Maj. Gen. Peter Cosgrove, welcomed the departure of the Indonesian troops — who are accused of aiding anti-independence militias in their campaign of terror in the province. But Cosgrove expressed concern that their departure leaves a security "vacuum" that the 3,700 peacekeepers here will not immediately be able to fill.

The peacekeeping force has yet to deploy in the vast majority of East Timor, and officials worry that militia gangs may continue to harass those areas.

Indonesia has occupied East Timor since 1975. East Timorese gathered at the fence of the port to watch them depart. The troops left no doubt of their disfavor of the vote for independence, however.



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Drought rough on crops, farmers

Western's farm
faring well, though

By CHRISTY GRUBB
Herald reporter

For agriculture major Chad Wilson, the recent rainfall was too little and too late to help farmers in the area. The junior from Portland, Tenn., has seen how devastating droughts can be to farming families — including his own.

"Because of this drought, I know there will be farmers that will be put out of business," he said.

For more than 150 years, his family has tilled a 750-acre farm. Lately, it has become an impossible feat. While most farmers rely on tried and true methods of beating the heat — irrigation, crop rotation or crop reduction — sometimes conditions are so bad, the most desperate measures must be taken.

Some farmers are forced to let go of their land. Some are forced to auction their cattle at outrageously low prices. Others will rely on Uncle Sam to sustain them until conditions improve.

But despite the incredibly dry conditions in Bowling Green, Western's farm seems to be faring well. With 500 acres of land, Environmental Science and Technology Department Head Jenke Britz and Farm Manager Curtis Mitchell are optimistic about this year's crop.

"This is just one of the many obstacles we must overcome," Britz said.

Mitchell was encouraged to learn the farm actually made a profit of nearly \$30,000 this year, citing diligent work to combat one of the worst Kentucky droughts on record. Mitchell said although the pond at the farm was almost dry, the students were not giving up.

"While the extremely hot weather was a determining factor in this year's crop yield, experimenting with new strains of corn that grow better in hot weather made a big difference.

In a normal year, the farm can turn out 120 to 140 bushels of corn an acre. This year's yield varied from 40 to 150 per acre. And at a time when grain and hay seemed to flourish, the soybean crop seemed to bake under the hot sun.

Much of Western's crop is sold locally, but that won't be enough to stop local produce shoppers from feeling the drought in their pocketbook. This year's conditions have inflated the price of milk, corn and soybeans. While farmers were fortunate to receive \$7 to \$8 for a bushel in past years for soybeans, the price has fallen to \$4 a bushel.

"One out of every 10 years will be a drought," Britz said, "but students are prepared for that."

Wilson said he has never considered altering his career path, but has taken some steps to prepare for times like these. While he is interested in working with a loan firm that deals primarily with farmers, he also has an auctioneering license and is now working on his real estate license.

"At least I will have something to fall back on," he said.

SUN: Western says best person was hired

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full-time temporary instructor between 1984-1997 and part-time instructor 1980-1984 and 1998. Hollis had one year of teaching experience at Owensboro Community College in 1995. At the time he was hired, he was playing professional basketball in China.

Hollis, however, said he had other traits that make him a qualified instructor.

"I don't think you can measure anyone on paper alone," Hollis said. "I may not have some of the book knowledge that another candidate had, but other things that I have I think other candidates didn't possess."

Hollis said working with troubled youth as a guidance counselor at Great Onyx Job Corps for a year in Mammoth Cave, and at Magic Johnson's Basketball Camp for 10 summers has taught him to communicate with and motivate students. He also said traveling the world as a basketball player and experiencing different cultures has given him a perspective of the world other teachers may not have.

"I think an instructor needs to look more into those types of experiences," Hollis said. "You

can always read books — and I've been reading. I'd say, more books than anybody in the last year about psychology and my classes to catch up ... but you can't say, 'In the next week I want you to catch up on how it is to be a citizen in China.'"

"To say that all that psychology is about is in the books misses the whole point of psychology — it's about human exploration of the mind."

In a letter from Rice to Melky last August, Rice called Pfohl "an excellent and proven instructor" while he said Hollis had "very limited experience and appears to be tentative in the discipline of psychology. Yet, he presents an outstanding role model for the diverse Community College student population."

Rice has since moved to New York and could not be reached for a comment on hiring Hollis. He did, however, give a deposition to Kerrick on Monday.

According to Kerrick, who saw the deposition, Rice said it added value that Quentin happened to

be black but that race really wasn't a factor and that he went with the most qualified candidate overall.

Psychology Professor Richard Miller, however, said he was surprised Pfohl was not hired. Miller served on the search committee that recommended Pfohl, and has served on seven other search committees during his 30 years at Western. He said this is the first time he has seen a committee's choice ignored.

— **Quentin Hollis**
psychology instructor

"The issue ... has very little to do with whether Mr. Hollis should or should not have been hired," Miller said, "but wondering why the search committee's recommendation was ignored. Rice never gave an indication of what decision had been made, or why, until Mr. Hollis was hired."

Miller said the university must hire the person best fit for the job description.

"Obviously something changed dramatically as far as the criteria for hiring after we made our recommendation," he said. "Meanwhile, Hollis is getting

good reviews from other faculty and students," said Frank Conley, interim dean at the community college.

"All we hear are good things about him," Conley said. "He's very highly thought of."

Student evaluations are also mostly positive toward Hollis. Nineteen of 23 students evaluating Hollis' Psychology 100 class in fall 1998, Hollis' first semester, gave him good reviews. Most appreciated Hollis' attitude and sense of humor.

"Hollis is one of the most intriguing professors I have ever had. His techniques of teaching are great," one student wrote.

"Thanks Mr. Hollis for making psychology fun!" wrote another. But Pfohl doesn't think the situation is fun, and is asking for a total of \$2.2 million — \$220,931 in lost wages, up to \$500,000 for emotional distress and up to \$1.5 million for punitive damages.

Provost Barbara Burch was out of town and could not be reached for comment. University Attorney Deborah Wilkins did not return phone calls inquiring about the case which will go before U.S. District Court in February.

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FURNITURE: Campus in uproar over \$18,000 purchase

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Ron Slavic said.

"I don't know what happened to it," Slavic said, adding he didn't recall seeing them come through the Supply Services Building.

One desk did, and was then delivered to the EOE/ADA office, he said, but not six.

Students, faculty 'outraged'

"This controversy suggests that department heads, deans and division heads monitor more closely all purchases in their respective areas," President Gary Ransdell said via e-mail.

That doesn't mean a policy change is in the works.

"One ill-advised purchase of an amount described in this situation does not, by itself, cause an organization with 1,500 employees and a \$150 million budget to change its budgeting process," Ransdell said.

Government department head John Parker agreed with the delegation policy, but wished accountability included consequences.

"I've got the standard issue except for a little table that I bought out of my own pocket," Parker said, as he sat at his own metal-frame desk. "We use what was in Grise Hall when it opened in 1967."

"Eighteen thousand dollars of furniture — that's more than my department's budget, excluding salary. I can tell you there's outrage in many departments that so many essential programs are so underfunded, and can't even buy essential equipment."

Amanda Coates, Student Government Association president, said during the year she worked in the university budget office, few offices ordered furniture.

"If you want something new in your office, you call surplus and see if it's down there," she said. "We rarely, if ever, ordered anything brand new."

That Melky spent tuition money rankled Coates when she, as Student Regent, had to recently vote on a six percent tuition increase.

"It was frustrating to have to go before the board the next day and know that that was the source of that purchase."

Some students found Melky's purchase so hard to believe, they had to see for themselves.

Carol Graham, a management and information systems assistant professor, was teaching an introduction to organizations and management class to about 35 students at 8 a.m. on Friday.

"We were talking about organizational change, dis-

cussing why sometimes you can't change things because financial resources aren't there," she said.

Students immediately asked why an office could spend over \$18,000 on furniture while tuition was going up by six percent. One said the media distorted issues; so another student suggested the class should go see the office.

Graham called the EOE/ADA office. McCaslin was "very accommodating," and invited them to Potter Hall room 445. On their way, the class looked at furniture in other offices on the same hall. They also saw Melky's two four-drawer filing cabinets, which cost \$1,016 each, still

sitting empty in the hall three months after purchase.

One student, a furniture store employee, told the class the furniture was top-of-the-line and very expensive, Graham said.

After seeing Melky's office, students wanted to know who her supervisor was, why there was no spending oversight and why their tuition money was spent on executive furniture, Graham said.

Even higher administration offices aren't equipped like Melky's. As Ogden College dean Martin Houston looked around his office, he drew attention to a 30-year-old table, a chair "rescued" from his secretary's mother's

garage, and the pad on his own office chair.

"It's been here as long as I have, and I've been here 30 years," he said. "Appearance is important, but you don't have to go overboard. I give my money to instruction."

That cost-cutting commitment extends to the Ogden College office staff, said Rusty Shaw, degree program auditor.

"We bought \$200 worth of fans because there was no air conditioning... bought the cheapest we could find when they were on sale, and we even used our own gas when we picked them up."

Herald reporter Jacob Ben-Zett contributed to this story.

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9 a.m. Celebrity; 11 a.m. Mo' Better Blues; 1:15 p.m. 8MM; 3:30 p.m. Sgt. Bilko; 5:15 p.m. Virtuosity; 7:15 p.m. Urban Legend

Thursday

9 a.m. Crimson; 11 a.m. Clockers; 1:15 p.m. Sneakers; 3:30 p.m. A Civil Action; 5:30 p.m. Jawbreaker; 7:15 p.m. Planes, Trains and Automobiles

Friday-Sunday

9 a.m. Go; 11 a.m. Cruel Intentions; 12:45 p.m. Varsity Blues; 2:45 p.m. Red Corner; 5 p.m. She's All That; 6:45 p.m. True Crime

Monday

9 a.m. Mod Squad; 10:45 a.m. When Harry Met Sally; 12:30 p.m. Airplane; 2:15 p.m. Message in a Bottle; 4:45 p.m. Bad Boys; 7 p.m. 200 Cigarettes

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Features



Jennifer Hazel, left, a part-time English instructor, participates in the Middle Eastern belly dance class Sunday at Dragon's Rainbow.

Hey baby, Unveil that belly Dragon's Rainbow offers ancient folk dance classes

BY JANICE HUNTON
Herald reporter

LeOra Day teaches in a room that smells of incense.

Her students often wear long veils, shimmering skirts made of brightly colored cloth and sashes that jingle with gold coins.

As class begins, she tells them to imagine they are in a tent in an oasis.

Day is the belly dance instructor at a new shop in town, the Dragon's Rainbow.

"Where else can grown women play dress-up like kids?" Day asked, smiling. "You can wear things together that you wouldn't be caught dead in, in real life."

Costumes and jewelry are often chosen to suit a certain style of music. Vibrant colors accentuate body movements and catch the light.

"You can get into belly dancing for the exercise or for the exotic... the mystery... the foreign," Day said. "It's like putting on a frame of mind."

Rebecca Spiers, a sophomore from Bakersfield, Calif., said she enjoys belly dancing because it's a spiritual and natural way to dance.

Spiers said the grace she has gained from ballet training has helped her to learn belly dancing more easily, even though the two dances differ greatly.

"Belly dance is a very organic type of movement," she said. "It doesn't ask you to do anything unnatural with your body."

The history of belly dance was not documented in its early days, but it is related to ancient castanet dances. In ancient India, dancers used gestures to tell stories and the history of the people. Some were chosen to worship gods or goddesses at the temples.

The dance was influenced by dif-

ferent cultures as it spread across Egypt and the Middle East. Traveling troupes of dancers became known as gypsies.

What is now known as belly dance gradually evolved.

"Belly dance is folkloric," Day said. "It has 100 different named rhythms."

In more modern times, belly dancing has been used as a strip dance. But Day would like to dispel any few associations that people might make.

"You can get into belly dancing for the exercise or for the exotic... the mystery... the foreign. It's like putting on a frame of mind."

— LeOra Day
belly dance instructor

"This is basically a folk dance that started as a religious dance," she said. "There are moves that depict scenes from the Bible."

"Some people have the idea of heathens whooping it up at the expense of God's people," she added. "But that's not what I teach. I teach the traditional stuff."

Day wants to pass the tradition on to the next generation. She is concerned that fundamentalists in the Middle East may deter dancers there.

"It's become important to me to keep it alive," she said.

Day wants to form both men's and

women's troupes for public performances. Men would dance the Debke and Tahtib. The Debke involves high-stepping, stomping and ancient poses. The Tahtib is a cane dance that depicts ancient Egyptian martial art.

Many of the dance moves are the same for men and women, except the posture and presentation are different.

Some of Day's current students hope to perform with the troupes. Jennifer Hazel, a part-time English instructor and graduate student from Bowling Green, said she was fascinated when she first saw a professional belly dancer perform.

She started dancing several months ago when Day's classes were being held at the Performing Arts Center.

"I've been hooked ever since," she said.

"It's great exercise and more interesting than aerobics," she added. "It provides you with a lot of strength and grace."

Classes cost \$10 for a 90-minute session or \$32 for four sessions. Beginners need only a sash to tie around their hips.

Day is also offering a free one-time trance dancing class at the Dragon's Rainbow, located on Creekwood Avenue at 3 p.m. on Oct. 17.

Dragon's Rainbow sells exotic items from India and other places, as well as local crafts.

The store features costumes designed by Melinda Reynolds in Medieval and Renaissance styles.

Dragon's Rainbow owner Fonda Wilson said she likes some things that are weird and different.

"I'd like for this to turn into a kind of place where people would like to hang out... sit around on the floor," she said.

► Campus Life

College more fun than hometown

Where were y'all this weekend? I was walking to Downing University Center Saturday morning, and there was nobody there. A tumbleweed hit me in the eye. Perhaps, even more telling, I went to Wal-Mart on Saturday. When I returned, I had my choice of parking spaces. That shouldn't happen.

I don't understand it. This is college. We're young, it's time to sow some wild oats. We should be up here, going to parties and tailgating and stuff. It should be Miller Time.

Instead, there was nobody anywhere. To paraphrase 20th century prophet Steven Tyler, that's crazy. You all were packin' up your stuff and talkin' like it's tough, and tryin' to tell me that it's time to go. Yeah. But I know you didn't really have anything to do at home, and it was all a show.

That kind of lovin' (or whatever) drives this man insane. Why does everyone jet after Friday's last class? Stay up here and start the clam bake.

High school students in every town spend their lives complaining about their hometowns, and declare they can't wait to "get out of this place." Then, when they finally go off to college and get away, they run home every chance they get.

I've talked to people from other schools. A lot of them said nobody goes home on the weekends. They said people stay on campus and have a good time.

Everybody should stay here on the weekends and have a good time. For most of us, these four years will probably be our last chance to ever do that.

The school week is enjoyable, but let's face it. We're pretty busy. Nobody wants us to do anything productive on the weekends (or at least I hope they don't, because I'm a disgusting blob on Saturdays and Sundays).

And after graduation, we're all going to have to get jobs and support ourselves, come home at night, feed the cats and fall asleep during "60 Minutes" or something like that. Gross.

Except for Homecoming, this weekend Western plays its last home football game the year. Instead of visiting your parents, wouldn't it be more fun to party up here? Or am I just crazy?

Jacob Bennett is a junior print journalism major from Brandenburg.



Jacob Bennett

Commentary

► Around Campus

English Club used book sale

The WKU English Club will hold a used book sale from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. tomorrow and Thursday in Cherry Hall, Room 105.

Invitational Forensic Tournament

The forensic team will hold the Invitational Forensic Tournament this Friday and Saturday. The event will be held in Garrett Center and Cherry Hall.

For more information call the Kentucky Speech League at 745-6340.

Bowling Green 10K

Join 3,500 other participants in the Bowling Green 10K as they try to sweat out the competition Saturday. Walkers are welcome for either 5 kilometers or the entire length of 10. The event starts on University Boulevard and ends on Big Red Way. For more information call the folks at Prime Time Events at 782-3660.

Alpha Phi Alpha dance

The Alpha Phi Alpha dance will be from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday at the Garrett Center Ballroom. For more information call Patty Witty at 745-5793.

Psychologist to speak on motivation

Internationally acclaimed professor of psychology, Carol Dweck, will speak at 7 p.m. Friday in Van Meter Auditorium about her ground breaking research in motivation and learning. Dweck is part of the Mary E. Hensley Lecture Series. For more information call Sharon Hartz at 745-4662.

Gotti's evening rescheduled

"An Evening with Victoria Gotti" has been rescheduled for Oct. 5 in Grise Hall Auditorium at 7 p.m. Gotti was scheduled to speak Sept. 15, but her flight was canceled because of Hurricane Floyd. For more information call the sociology department at 745-3759.

Big top circus in town through tonight

Animal shows, trapeeze acts galore

In town for first time in 25 years

By MICHELLE PEARSON
Herald reporter

Two Bengal tigers, one white and one gold, playfully pounced on one another to the delightful squeals of more than 500 children.

Various thick, foreign accents filled the air under the big top last night as vendors hawked their wares of popcorn, coke and cotton candy. "The World's Largest Circus Under the Big Top" is in Bowling Green. The Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus brings with it enough heart-stopping, jaw dropping and thrill loving adventure to satisfy even the most cynical spectator.

Perhaps that is because the circus performs under the traditional big top tent instead of abandoning it for an indoor arena as some circuses have done.

"Coke says they're the real thing. Well, that's us," said Marketing Director Robert Harper. "We're the real thing."

Children stared at their surroundings with big eyes creating new memories while the adults, relived their childhood. For two hours, young and old

sat together awash in magic.

"It's more nostalgic," Harper said. "The kids are seeing it the way their great-grandparents would have seen it."

But the tent just provides the setting. It takes numerous acts and talents to pull off a first-class show.

The Beatty-Cole Circus has both. Before the circus began, the crowd was titillated by the site of seven cages in front of a large cage, each housing a napping Bengal tiger that was to be part of the first act.

While the crowd found their seats, clowns danced around amusing the crowds with jokes and antics.

Some of the circus folks helped patrons find their seats while children laughed and ran and parents rushed to gather them.

The lights dimmed and the amazing Marcan made his entrance, along with the gold and white tigers that he raised since birth, into the temporarily enclosed center ring. The crowd was wowed by the tigers discipline and Marcan's gentle hand as he instructed the felines.

Following such an opening act might be difficult to do, but the Beatty-Cole circus did it with style and flare in each act.

For those who like to watch aerial acrobats, the Russian trapeze artists will be sure to leave the audience breathless with their graceful, fluid and dangerous moves.

While the Beatty-Cole circus



Daniel Wallace/Herald

Helen, a 42-year-old Asian elephant, walks by the big top tent after helping raise some of the support poles. Helen travels with the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus, performing in the circus and giving rides to patrons.

provides the traditional circus acts there are also some new numbers, such as aerial bungee black belts.

This Chinese Troupe of Asian acrobats combine daring, physical discipline, and a bungee cord to create a dizzying acrobatic routine that delighted everyone.

Richard Lawrence, a Bowling Green native, brought his kids to the circus. It was their first time.

"Oh, man, it was great," he

said, grinning as he watched a clown paint his little girls' faces.

"I liked that it was in a tent instead of outdoors. That is the only way to see a circus."

It was hard to imagine that by 11 p.m. tonight all of it will be gone and nothing will be left in the otherwise empty field but the echoes of laughter.

The circus has not been in the area for 25 years. The decision to come back was mainly based on the weather.

The circus has been traveling down the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. With the recent weather patterns that have been developing because of El Nino and La Nina, the circus members found themselves running from "unfavorable" weather rather than performing.

"We decided to come up this way to get away from the hurricanes this time of the year," Harper said. "If business is good, then we will be back this way."

New herpes test much faster

Results received in 10 minutes

By RACHAEL SLOAN
Herald reporter

Millions of Americans will tell you the satisfaction of sexual pleasure doesn't outweigh the fear of genital warts.

Forty-five million people are infected with herpes in the United States. There are 500,000 new cases diagnosed each year. Two thirds of those infected with the disease are unaware they have it. There is no cure.

Herpes simplex virus 2 (HSV-2), the most common type, is associated with genital herpes. The virus is often misdiagnosed as other diseases, such as urinary tract infection and vaginal infections.

But thanks to a new test, diagnosis may be much easier. The American Health Association's (ASHA) POCkit HSV-2 Rapid Test — unlike the previous test — allows for point-of-care results rather than having to wait for external-lab results.

The old standard test took up to 14 days to receive results, but the new test offers results in 10 minutes with just a simple finger prick.

It is also the first test to be able to distinguish between herpes virus type one and type two. The prior tests were not 100 percent accurate at distinguishing between the two.

According to Tanya Bush, a doctor with "Diagnosis Incorporated in North Carolina," "Only 20 percent of people have normal symptoms (sores) and 20

percent have no symptoms at all."

Andrew Donelson, the doctor at Student Health Services, is willing to order the new test for his patients, but does not want to discourage them from ordering the standard test, such as the Western blot and the culture test.

"With Rapid Test there could be some cross-over of types one and two, and the test can't determine active herpes," Donelson said.

"Herpes is an incurable STD. Condoms can't prevent it. It's important to know how to avoid it."

— Lisa Lindley
doctor of public health

The first symptoms of herpes usually show up two to 21 days after contact. With first-time infections, there may be no symptoms or mild ones.

The most noticeable and recognizable symptom of the virus is genital warts, but there are other symptoms: a burning sensation when urinating, genital discharge and difficulty urinating or sore and tender lymph nodes (small glands under the arm, on the neck, or in the groin area).

Herpes is a chronic disease. Once a person is infected, they carry the disease for the rest of their life.

Although symptoms are not always present, many people who are infected are unaware. This makes the disease even

more dangerous for their partners.

Medical research shows flare-ups of symptoms can be triggered by emotional stress, fever or physical trauma.

The long-term effects of herpes are not yet known, but there is evidence linking it to an increased risk of cervical cancer and serious birth defects.

"Herpes is an incurable STD," said Lisa Lindley, doctor of public health. "Condoms can't prevent it. It's important to know how to avoid it."

Prevention is the key treatment of the disease, but barrier methods are only partially protective. With condoms, lesions may be present in areas not covered. Only total absence of any touching of infected blister tissue will avoid transmission. But if the disease is contacted, it is important to begin treatment as soon as possible.

The POCkit HSV-2 Rapid Test averages around \$58, but is less when the physician orders more tests. The standard tests average around the same amount.

To receive the Rapid Test, ask your doctor.

Facts about herpes

- ◆ Forty-five million Americans are infected with herpes.
- ◆ Five hundred thousand new cases are reported each year.
- ◆ Two-thirds of the cases are unaware they have the disease.
- ◆ Twenty percent have no symptoms.
- ◆ Twenty percent have very mild symptoms.

Information obtained from the Student Health Services.

Former surgeon general speaks about her book

Elders discusses women's health care

By REX HALL JR.
Herald reporter

The Women's Studies Program will present former U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders at 7 p.m. tomorrow night at the Van Meter Auditorium.

The presentation is titled, "Women and the Politics of Health Care."

"She'll be talking about how the government is involved in health care for women," said Sandra Ardrey, director of African-American Studies Program and associate professor in the government department.

"She'll probably also speak about her role in getting more money for the research of diseases that affect women. The money for research has been low, but since she's been pushing for it, they've gotten more money."

Elders resigned from her position as Surgeon General in 1994 in the shadow of the controversy over her beliefs on sex education.

"Her comments about masturbation were vastly distorted by many," said Jane Olmsted, head of the Women's Studies department. "They were used in an inflammatory way to start controversy. She wasn't talking about teaching technique. She thought that it should be taught as a normal part of sexuality."

"Even if people did not misinterpret her comments, they thought that what she stood for was too controversial," Olmsted continued. "She pushed for open discussions about sex at every level of our society."

The event — which is supported by such programs as the African-American Studies Program, the Cultural Enhancement Committee and the Department of Public Health — is free to the public. After her speech, there will be a question and answer session. Then Elders will sell and sign her book, "Joycelyn Elders, M.D. From Sharecropper's Daughter to Surgeon General of the United States."

Olmsted said students should attend because they have the chance to listen to a national figure speak.

"She's courageous," Olmsted said. "She has put herself in the public eye on the basis of her integrity, and it's important to hear people like her speak. We've heard she is a great speaker."

The speech will cover a wide range of subjects.

"She's a pediatrician, so medical students might want to listen to her," Olmsted said, "as well as anyone majoring in the sciences, major, because of her stand on sex education in schools."

Ardrey agreed. "I think it's important for both men and women students to attend because we are all concerned about our health and the health of women, because the health of women determine the health of the nation," she said.

If you go

What: Joycelyn Elders presents "Women and the Politics of Health Care"
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Where: Van Meter Auditorium
Admission: free

Sports

Softball ends tourney in 3rd place

Team makes debut in exhibition tourney

BY LYNDSEY SUTTON
Herald reporter

Western's inaugural women's fast pitch softball team took its first public test drive this weekend against outside competition as hosts of the WKU Fall Softball Classic.

Western finished the tournament third overall, winning two of five games, and showed Coach Leslie Phelan and her team where they most need an oil change.

"The tournament accomplished what I wanted it to," Phelan said, "and that is to tell us where we are as a team, how we stack up against some other teams and what we need to improve on."

The Lady Toppers lost to Eastern Kentucky, Belmont and Tennessee State in the bottom of the seventh inning, each by one run.

Phelan said this shows that Western is competitive with all three teams.

Western led the Lady Colonels 3-1 going into the seventh inning, and led Belmont 4-1 in the same situation, but couldn't hold onto the leads.

"In my opinion, we could've, and should've won those games," Phelan said.

Against Tennessee State, Phelan said the Lady Toppers failed to score when they had the opportunities.

"Western's going to be a good team," Eastern coach Jane Worthington said. She said Phelan did the right thing in going out and recruiting not only freshmen but junior college players.

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Sophomore defender Kyle Wuchterl (center), is congratulated by junior defender Scott Gardner (left) and senior defender Bryan Robbins after scoring the first goal of Sunday's game against Georgia State at Smith Stadium. Western won 4-2.

Soccer takes seventh straight victory

BY LYNDSEY SUTTON
Herald reporter

Western's soccer team set a goal to win the next five games after the Hilltoppers lost to Bowling Green State. They didn't care how the goal was accomplished, they just wanted to get it done.

Seven games later, Western has created a monster. A monster that likes to win, and has

proven that it can. But it's a monster that doesn't like to give anything to its opponents especially at home.

But the monster didn't scare Georgia State completely Sunday afternoon at Smith Stadium. Western led the Panthers 4-0 until 13 minutes remained in the game.

And then it happened. Georgia State scored two goals within three minutes, unleashing

a long line of firsts that Western didn't know existed or had refused to believe existed all season.

Foreign to the Hilltoppers was the concept of an opponent scoring on them at home. Even more confusing was the idea that the enemy could actually score more than one goal in a game.

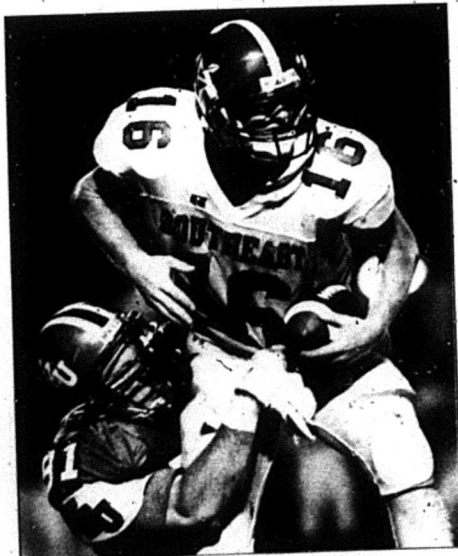
But more than anything, Western overlooked the fact

that the other team actually had a space on the scoreboard that could read more than zero.

"The guys take a lot of pride in defending and they're a little disappointed they gave up those two soft goals," Coach David Holmes said.

Georgia State freshman midfielder Wes Meadows was the first to step up to the monster.

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Western wins with ugly manners

Defense leads football in 21-10 win

BY RYAN CLARK
Herald reporter

As the Western football team feasted on Southeast Missouri Saturday night, the Hilltoppers displayed some horrific table manners.

It was like they were eating ribs, but only had one napkin. But Western (3-1, 2-0 OVC) made up for its messy play by flexing its defensive muscles and shutting Southeast Missouri.

Southeast Missouri sophomore quarterback Mike Gross is tackled by Western senior defensive end Ben Wittman during Saturday night's game at Smith Stadium. Western defeated Southeast Missouri, 21-10.

H. Rick Mach/Herald

down in a 21-10 victory.

"We've really been able to hang our hat on the defense," Coach Jack Harbaugh said. "They've started to develop a personality, and we're feeding off of them."

Southeast Missouri (0-4, 0-2 OVC) tested Western's secondary early, as Indians quarterback Mike Gross completed 14 of 30 passes for 135 yards and a touchdown. But the Toppers defense again responded with an impressive performance, allowing only a field goal in the second half.

Led by senior Melvin Wischam's 10 tackles and freshman safety Bobby Sippro's two interceptions — which resulted in Western's only scores of the first half — the Toppers built a 14-7 halftime lead.

"Our offense was having a hard time putting the ball in the end zone and I felt like somebody had to do it," Sippro said. "Since our defense was having a good game, I felt like we had to come out and put some points on the board, and then wait for our offense to get in the groove so they could take over. We came out

and showed what our defense was all about."

Wischam, who was named the Ohio Valley Conference's Defensive Player of the Week, agreed.

"Our defense had a pretty good game except for a couple moments," Wischam said. "And that's what you need to win games — a strong defense. We pride ourselves in that. Sometimes your offense struggles, and we just need to be there to pick them up."

Backup quarterback Sylvester Gray led an ineffective offensive display that produced no sustained drives, except for a seven-play, 42-yard touchdown score after Sippro's first interception. Gray rushed for 39 yards on 17 carries, while throwing three interceptions.

Third-string quarterback Jason Michael inserted into the game at the end of the third quarter, promptly marched the team down the field on a 12-play, 66-yard drive for the deciding touchdown. Michael finished the game

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Bad passing hurts Lady Toppers in loss

BY JERRY BREWER
Herald reporter

The Western volleyball team is the kid in gym class who can't climb all the way up rope that extends to the ceiling. That ceiling is glory, ultimate respect, and the Lady Toppers — muscles straining, hands feeling carpet-burned — are hanging just a few notches below the goal.

Not exactly a bad thing, not exactly something most people can do, but if you're near top, why not get all the way up?

The Lady Toppers finished with a 1-1 record this past week-end, the Sun Belt Conference's opening weekend. The matches completed a stretch of nine straight matches on the road, and Western finished with a 5-4 record.

After beating Louisiana Tech (3-12, 0-2) 15-6, 15-13 and 15-11 on Friday, Western traveled to Arkansas-Little Rock for a mid-season showdown between the conference's top two teams.

Little Rock (7, 2-0) exploited bad Western passing and poor production by the Lady Toppers' left side hitters in a 15-7, 15-13 and 15-10 victory at Trojan Fieldhouse.

Western coach Travis Hudson

left that gym thinking 1-1 wasn't all that bad. He figures this is the toughest road trip the team faces during conference play. Not just because of the opponents, but the Lady Toppers traveled more than 20 hours by bus to get to and from the two matches.

"I'm not discouraged at all," Hudson said. "That's just Round One against Little Rock. I look forward to bringing them to Bowling Green."

Little Rock visits Diddle Arena Oct. 23. By then, Western (8-6) hopes to have figured out its passing problems.

It's puzzling, because the Lady Toppers passed so well against La Tech.

They dug 69 balls, an impressive 23 digs per game. Four players had 10 or more digs — junior defensive specialist Beaven Hill (17), junior left side hitter Melissa Starck (11), sophomore left side Tara Thomas (10) and junior left side Andria Humpert (10). Senior setter Jenni Miller, and sophomore right side hitter Natalie Furry both added nine digs.

After a week of intense defensive practice, it seemed Western had solved its problems.

But against Little Rock,

Western had only 37 digs the entire match. It also had 10 service reception errors Saturday, whereas it had only one reception error Friday.

Passing is supposed to be a given, a strength, for Western. For most of the past two weeks, the ball has been bounding all over the place, putting pressure on Miller to make incredible sets and ultimately causing the Lady Toppers' attack to sputter.

"Travis says the only thing it could be is focus," said Miller, who had 48 assists Friday and only 25 the next day. "Before the game, I wouldn't have thought it would be a problem."

The thing about volleyball is if you don't pass well, there's not much you can do. It affects you offensively and defensively. You can't stop surges. Teams can reel off ridiculous amounts of unanswered points.

Against Little Rock, the first game was tied at 7, and the Trojans scored eight unanswered points to win the game.

One might say that deflated the Lady Toppers, but as senior middle hitter Kim Carpenter once said, "If you're not ready to play, if you're not focused, you can't be deflated. You were never inflated to begin with."

SOFTBALL:

Team finishes 2-3 in tourney

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who will bring a little more experience to the team.

The Lady Toppers posted their first ever win against Austin Peay 2-0. They rounded out the tournament defeating Northern Kentucky 5-3.

"I think we doubted ourselves a little," freshman pitcher Kristalyn Smith said. "We just need to keep the same intensity throughout."

What concerned Phelan most was that her team did not hit as well as she would've liked.

"That was the one disappointment for me," Phelan said. "Consistently we didn't hit, and to be honest, we will see much tougher pitching throughout our regular season than what we saw this weekend."

But the team has only been practicing together for about four weeks, and Phelan said that helps her keep things in perspective.

"We have 16 players all coming in new, coming in from different places and learning one system," she said. "I'm happy with the progress we're making."

Western's left side hitters, who began the season by responding to Hudson's challenge for better play, combined for only seven kills and a negative 143 for the Little Rock match.

Hudson said to beat Little Rock, which may ultimately mean to climb to the top of the rope, the left sides must play better.

But perhaps the cure for Western, which begins a stretch of five matches it can win, is a winning streak. After beginning the season 7-3, the Lady Toppers have lost three of four.

"I think we'll have our winning streak," Miller said. "I don't think we're in a slump. We lost some matches we should have won, but we have played some great competition."

Furry stepping up

Hudson lauded Furry for her great play. This weekend, she recorded 21 kills and hit .390 in the two matches.

Furry, a preseason All-Sun Belt selection, has taken her game to a higher level this season. Hudson also loves her because she plays well in big matches.

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with 44 yards rushing on seven carries.

"Everybody thinks it's the blocking, and some people think it's me, but when coach took me out, I understood the reason why," said Gray, a junior. "You want to change the philosophy a little bit. When I came out, I was kind of disgusted, but I started praying, and things started going a little better and a little better, and then (Michael) led us to a score."

"The bottom line is, that we won."

"I'm glad I could contribute," said Michael, a sophomore. "Stazzing Sylvester was the coaches' decision, and they made that last week I was just glad I could come in and do what I did."

"The offensive line blocked really well," he continued. "We had some problems running inside, but we got things rolling in the second half and were able to come out with the victory."

Prior to the game, Harbaugh decided to change Western's offensive strategy from the flex bone offense, which featured senior Rod Smart at fullback, to a more traditional I-bone set, which moved Smart to tailback. Freshman Brock Baker started at fullback, and gained 57 yards on 13 carries.

"At times, Rod didn't run extremely hard, but at other times, we didn't give him much room to run," Harbaugh said. "We didn't do much with the option, and right now, we just have a lot of room to improve."

Smart finished with 58 yards on 14 carries.

Pimpleton ready

Western's quarterback shake-up should end next week, when sophomore Donte Pimpleton returns to the starting lineup to face Murray State at home. Pimpleton, who has missed parts of Western's first four games recovering from a strained knee ligament, dressed for Saturday's game but did not play.

"I wanted to get out there and play," Pimpleton said. "But I guess they want me to wait until next week. I'll definitely be ready for Murray."

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PLAYGROUND NOTES

Jerry Brewer

JACKSON, Tenn. — Talking Western sports with a Tennessee fan at Waffle House while stranded in a town about three hours from Toppertown.

"Hey, buddy, have a seat? You don't look like you're from 'round here."

I'm from Bowling Green, actually I go to school at Western Kentucky University. I work at the student paper there. I'm a sports writer. My name is Jerry Brewer. What's yours?

My name is Dan. Do you have a last name, Dan? Just call me Dan. The 'T' fan. You'll probably wind up putting this in that paper of yours.

(Chuckles) What do you know about Western?

"They don't play my Vols in football. I know that. I don't recall them playing in basketball, either."

Two years ago they met in women's basketball in the NCAA Tournament.

Did we win?

Yes, that was the year Tennessee went 39-0 and won the tournament for the third straight year.

(Chuckles) Can I see the sports section of your paper?

"What you lookin' for?"

"The score of the Western football game."

Who did they play?"

SEMO.

"See who?"

SEMO Southeast Missouri State.

"My Vols almost lost to Memphis yesterday. Won 17-16, barely. That Tee Martin is something. Who's your quarterback?"

Um, his name is Donnie Pumphrey. He's hurt right now, so we're using two backups to replace him.

"What are their names?"

Jason Michael and Sylvester Gray.

"Never heard of any of these."

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and capitalize, scoring off a free kick from junior midfielder Scott Morn at 77:40.

"Number eleven (Morn) took a quick, free kick and Loss (sophomore goalkeeper Ryan Lossie) was kind of in no-man's land," Holmes said. "(Lossie) didn't know whether to come or didn't know whether to stay and the indecision hurt us."

Senior forward Jimmy Nardello scored three minutes later for the Panthers simply kicking the ball above Lossie's head.

"I think we got a little lax in the back, started taking things for granted and they got in there and got a couple in," Lossie said.

Georgia State coach Brett Teach said Western became complacent with their 4-0 lead and his team just took advantage.

"They made a mistake and we did simply what they did to us," Teach said. "The problem is, we'd dug too deep a hole at that point, and we just had to fight and try to pull back."

Western started feeding the winning counter early in the first half, with two goals in four minutes. Sophomore defender Kyle Wuchterl scored at 30:17 off a crossover from sophomore midfielder Tawanda Chitapa.

guys. So, what is Western's nickname?"

The Hilltoppers.

"What kind of mascot is a Hilltopper?"

Actually, our mascot is Big Red.

"Big Red?"

Yeah, Big Red. A big, wide mascot.

"Is that mascot a male or female?"

Big Red is asexual.

"Your mascot has sex? During games?"

No, no, no. Asexual, meaning the mascot is neither a man or woman.

"Oh."

ESPN once did a commercial with Big Red. It was contemplating which bathroom to use, and one of the Sportscenter announcers told him to go out back and use it.

(Pause)

"Never saw that one. Did you see the Y2K one, with Mark McGwire? Hilarious!"

Man, it looks like the score isn't in here. Can't find it.

"UK lost to Florida. I was hoping they'd beat dem Gators. I hate Florida. Hate UK, too, but I hate Florida more. So, what's Western known for?"

A big ol' hill.

"Hilltoppers? I get it! No, but I meant what is the sport at Western?"

We have a strong basketball tradition on both the men's and women's side.

"How'd the men do?"

Last year, they went 13-16.

"That don't sound like no tradition to me."

Well, we're having a down time. But last year, despite our record, we only missed the Big Dance by one game. The men are on the way back up, though.

"Think they'll ever play Tennessee?"

Maybe. I'll be sure to bring that up with Coach Felton next time I talk to him.

"What's that coach's name?"

Felton Dennis Felton.

"How long he been there?"

This will be his second year.

"Where was he before Western?"

He was the top assistant at Clemson.

"Clemson. Now that's a school I've heard about."

"Jerry Brewer's column normally runs Tuesdays and occasionally Thursdays. He can be reached at 745-6281, or e-mail him at brewdown@aol.com."

Women finish 11th, men 13th

By CHRIS YEO
Herald reporter

Western's cross country teams got some valuable experience and a look at some of the caliber of running it takes to win national championships this weekend at the Sam Bell Invitational.

The women's team finished 11th with the men's finishing 13th.

Senior Duncan Shangase's sixth place finish out of 185 runners earned him Western's third consecutive Sun Belt

cross country performer of the week.

"It was my day," Shangase said. "I just stuck with the leaders and hung tough."

The competition in Bloomington, Ind., included 1998's first, fourth- and eighth-ranked teams nationally.

Senior Valerie Lynch continued to lead the women's team, placing seventh out of a field of 190 runners, and first in Western's district.

"It may have been her best collegiate race," Long said about last year's Sun Belt champion.

Complementing Lynch was the continued strong performances of freshmen Caroline Daly, 44th place, and Olga Cronin, 47th place.

The success of the two freshman from Cork, Ireland, comes as no surprise to Lynch.

"We knew they were going to be good," Lynch said. "I know how good they are, how much they put their heart and soul into it."

Long said the course in Bloomington was well suited to Shangase's style of running. He was able to use the long straightaways, a kilometer at the start and another at the finish, to his advantage. Shangase's long, efficient strides allowed him to keep pace with the leaders, Long said.

Shangase said that it was his goal to stick with the runners from North Carolina State. He finished less than 30 seconds after the winner.

Football News

Boso leaves team after two years with Toppers

Assistant football coach Cap Boso, who became a member of the coaching staff in 1998, announced yesterday that he would leave the team to pursue other career opportunities. Boso, a one-time tight end

with the National Football League's Chicago Bears, began coaching quarterbacks and running backs on the Hill, then took the offensive coordinator position last year.

"This was Cap's decision, and we certainly respect his wishes," Coach Jack Harbaugh said in a press release. "He's

been a great friend to me and my family for 11 years — almost a member of the family."

"I have a tremendous respect for Cap, both as a person and as a coach," he continued. "We wish he and his wife Cathy well."

— Ryan Clark

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Golf wins second straight

Women in fourth after first round

By Travis Williams
Herald reporter

The men's golf team won its second tournament in a row by taking the Eastern Kentucky Colonel Classic by two strokes this past weekend. This is the first time Western has won back-to-back tournaments since 1982.

With the win, the team now boasts a 41-1 record which is the best start in school history. Western shot a final round of 292 to edge out Morehead State and the host Colonels. The Tops improved each round to secure a comeback win that reminded Coach Brian Tirpak of another victory in golf this past weekend.

"It was kind of like what the U.S. did in the Ryder Cup," Tirpak said. "This is the best team I've coached. We just have to keep building on our success." Senior Nate Gilchrist shot under par on his last two holes to finish tied for eighth.

"Gilchrist has been tremendously steady, he came through in the end as champions do," Tirpak said.

"I don't go out and try to be a leader but since I'm the oldest on this team and I've played in many tournaments I just try to play well and lead that way," Gilchrist said.

Eric Mason, who won the individual competition last year, finished third behind Eastern's James Milam and Morehead State's Ben Hensley. Bowling Green native John Mulendore finished tied for 57th for the Hilltoppers.

"He (Mulendore) played well maybe not his best but enough to

help us win," Gilchrist said. According to Gilchrist, neither he nor the team as a whole has played their "best golf yet." The Toppers will try to win their third tournament of the season next week in the Legends of Indiana Intercollegiate.

Women's golf

The women's golf team will complete the final round of the Lady Racer Classic today at Murray State.

The team is coming off a ninth place finish in their first tournament of the year last week.

Freshmen Crystal Angles and Marilyn Bungo each had season low rounds for the Tops. Angles is tied for eleventh going into today's competition at 79 under par. Bungo is fifteenth on the individual standings at 80 under par.

After one round of play the Lady Toppers are in fourth place.

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Team	W-L	Next
Football	3-1	Saturday vs. Murray State
Volleyball	8-6	Thursday vs. Florida International
Soccer	8-1	Sunday vs. Nevada-Las Vegas
Women's golf	1-8	Today at Murray
Men's golf	41-1	Oct. 4-5 at Legends of Indiana
Cross country	*	Oct. 9 at Furman International

* Cross country does not keep a win-loss record.

Football News

Goodman garners academic award

Senior center Patrick Goodman has been named a Division I-AA College Football Scholar Athlete by the Burger King Corporation. The award, which is given to two athletes from each football division (I-A, I-AA, Division II, etc.), will provide \$10,000 to Western's general scholarship fund.

Goodman, who has a 3.7 GPA and is majoring in Civil Engineering Technology, has started 38 straight games for the Hilltoppers and was honored as an All-American last year. These achievements, as well as his dedication to the Bowling Green community, helped earn Goodman the award.

Past winners of the College Football Scholar-Athlete award include former Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning. Goodman will receive the honor at halftime of this week's game against Murray State.

—Ryan Clark

Wisham named defensive player of week

Senior linebacker Melvin Wisham was honored as the Ohio Valley Conference's Defensive Player of the Week last week.

Against Southeast Missouri last Saturday, Wisham led Western with 10 tackles, nine solo, and one for loss. This was the third time in four games that Wisham has had 10 or more tackles, and he leads the team with 45 overall.

Wisham's performance helped Western hold Southeast Missouri to 91 yards rushing, and just 223 overall.

The Hilltoppers will resume action in the OVC next Saturday against rival Murray State at Smith Stadium.

—Ryan Clark

Tennis teams kick off fall season

The men's and women's tennis teams opened their fall schedules this weekend.

The men's team traveled to the Middle Tennessee Fall Tennis Classic and the women participated in the Billiken Tennis Classic in St. Louis.

Sophomore Andrei Makarevitch fell in the quarterfinals to MTSU's Oliver Foreman in the No. 1/2 draw. Freshman Wimal Wijenayake made it to the semifinals in the No. 5/6 draw.

In doubles, two teams fell in the semifinals of the No. 3 doubles draw. The team of freshman Hussain Dashti and Wijenayake beat fell to the eventual champions. The team of senior Christian

Kaummann and sophomore J.J. Ball won two games before losing in the semis.

In St. Louis, freshman Liene Rosentale lost her first match, but came back to win the next two to win the consolation championship in the No. 3/4 singles draw.

Freshman Jennifer Granger and senior Dinah Townsend teamed to finish fourth in the No. 3/4 doubles draw.

The women's team will be in action again Friday through Sunday in the Ace Fall Classic in Evansville, Ind. The men will be in action again Oct. 23-24 at the Austin Peay Invitational.

—Scott Sisco

Look for Murray State vs. Western coverage Thursday in the **Herald**



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